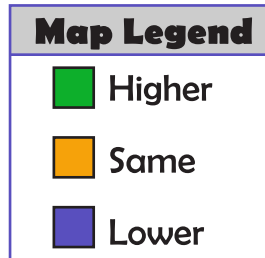


Obesity Rates of Utah Small Areas Compared to the Utah State Obesity Rate of 19.5%, Utah BRFSS 2001-2004 Data Combined

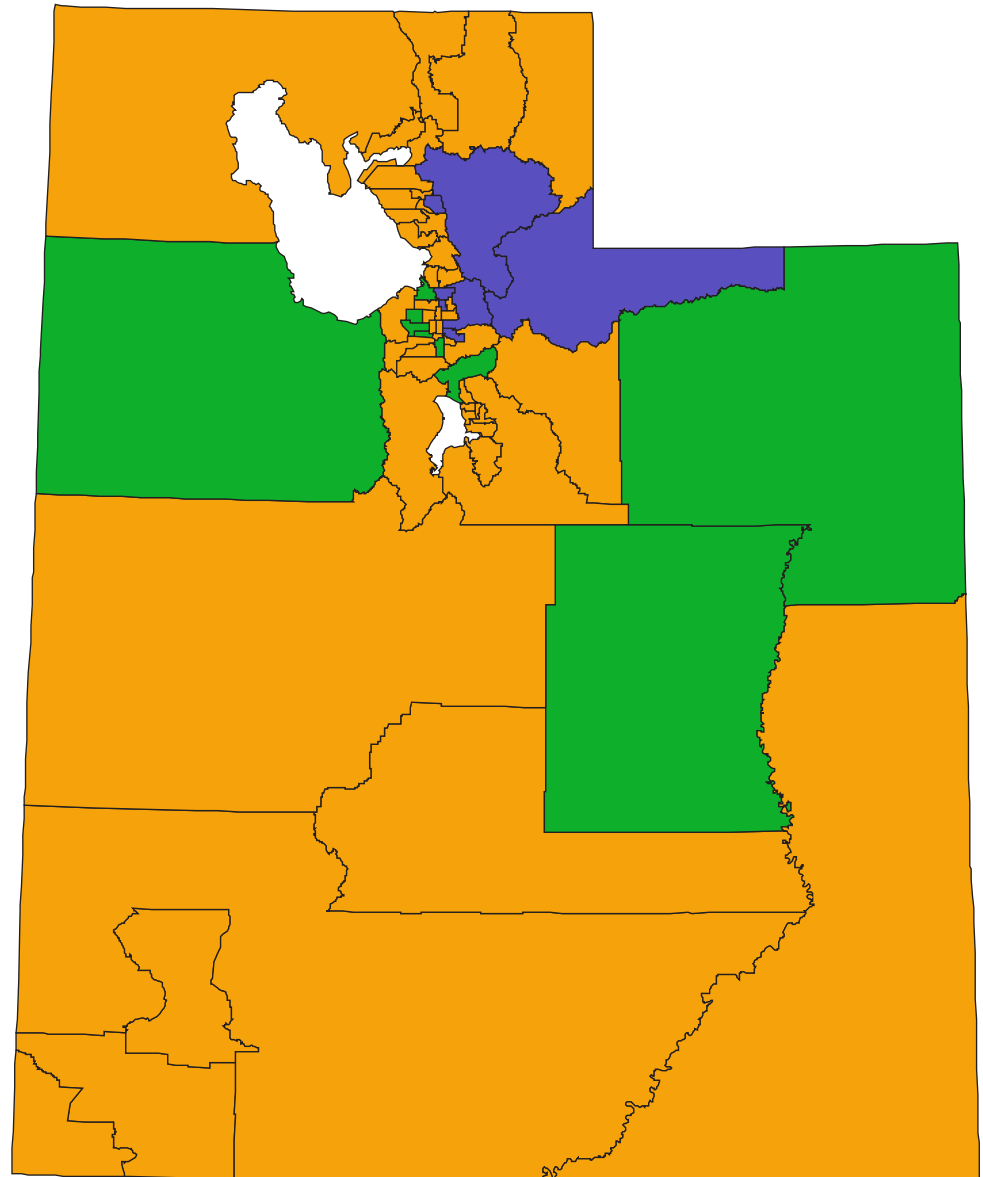


The state of Utah has been divided into 61 small areas with populations ranging from 20,000 to 60,000 persons. Small areas were determined by evaluating population size, political boundaries of cities, and economic similarity. Analysis of obesity rates for small areas shows that obesity rates ranged from a low of 8.8% in the Avenues to a high of 31.5% in Rose Park. The state obesity rate is 19.5% (Utah BRFSS 2001-2004 combined).

There are seven small areas that have obesity rates that are statistically significantly lower than the state rate. The small areas are the Avenues, Cottonwood, Summit County, Holladay, Morgan/East Weber County, Downtown Salt Lake, and South Ogden. There are nine small areas that have obesity rates that are statistically significantly higher than the state rate. These small areas are Carbon/Emery County, Tri-County Local Health District, Kearns, Tooele County, West Valley I, Sandy Center, American Fork/Alpine, West Jordan North, and Rose Park.

For more information on Utah small areas please go to <http://health.utah.gov/ibisq/helpSA/UtahSmallAreaInfo.pdf>.

For more information on the methodology of how small areas were established please go to <http://health.utah.gov/ibisq/helpSA/SmallAreaAnalysis.htm>.



Source: Utah BRFSS 2001 to 2004; Age-adjusted to 2000 population.
Obese is defined as a BMI of ≥ 30 .